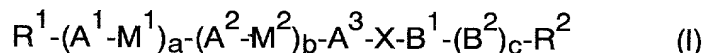


constant layer leaning angle, where the liquid-crystal layer comprises at least one compound of the formula (I) below.

- Expressly included is the advantageous use of the novel materials and mixtures for active-matrix displays, antiferroelectric displays and twisted smectic displays.

- In particular, the object is achieved by a chiral smectic active-matrix display containing a liquid-crystal layer in the form of a monostable monodomain having a tilt angle which is virtually constant over a broad temperature range, and a virtually constant layer leaning angle, where the liquid-crystal layer comprises at least one compound of the formula (I) below.

- The active-matrix display contains a chiral smectic liquid-crystal mixture comprising at least one compound of the general formula (I)



where the symbols are as defined below:

- R^1 , R^2 are, independently of one another, identical or different and are each

a) hydrogen, fluorine or CN

- a straight-chain or branched alkenyl, alkenyloxy, alkyl or alkyloxy radical (with or without asymmetric carbon atoms) having 2 to 16 carbon atoms, where

b1) one or two nonterminal $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups may be replaced by $-\text{O}-$, $-\text{OC}(=\text{O})-$, $-(\text{C}=\text{O})-$, $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{O}-$, $-\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_2-$, $-\text{CH}(\text{Cl})-$ and/or one or two $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups may be replaced by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$

- and one or more H atoms may be replaced by F and/or

b2) one or more $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups may be replaced by phenylene-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by F), phenylene-1,3-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by F), cyclohexane-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F or CN) or cyclopropane-1,2-diyl

- and one or more H atoms may be replaced by F with the provisos that only one of the radicals R^1 , R^2 can be hydrogen, F or CN and that two adjacent $-\text{CH}_2-$ groups cannot be replaced by $-\text{O}-$

M¹, M² are, independently of one another, identical or different and are each -C(=O)O-, -OC(=O)-, -CH₂O-, -OCH₂-, -CF₂O-, -OCF₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CF₂CF₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH=CF-, -CF=CF-, -C≡C-, -CH₂CH₂C(=O)O-, -OC(=O)CH₂CH₂-, -(CH₂)₄-, -OCH₂CH₂CH₂-,
 5 -CH₂CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CF₂CH₂-, -CH₂CF₂CH₂O- or a single bond

A¹, A², A³ are, independently of one another, identical or different and are each cyclohexane-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F, CH₃, CN), cyclohex-1-ene-1,4-diyl, cyclohex-2-ene-1,4-diyl,
 10 2-oxocyclohexane-1,4-diyl, 2-cyclohexen-1-one-3,6-diyl, 1-alkyl-1-silacyclohexane-1,4-diyl, bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1,4-diyl, spiro[4.5]-decane-2,8-diyl, spiro[5.5]undecane-3,9-diyl, phenylene-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCH₃, unsubstituted, monosubstituted, disubstituted, trisubstituted
 15 or tetrasubstituted by F), phenylene-1,3-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCF₃, unsubstituted, monosubstituted, disubstituted, trisubstituted or tetrasubstituted by F), thiophene-2,5-diyl, thiophene-2,4-diyl, (1,3,4)-oxadiazole-2,5-diyl, (1,3,4)-thiadiazole-2,5-diyl, 1,3-thiazole-2,5-diyl, 1,3-thiazole-2,4-diyl,
 20 (1,3)-oxazole-2,5-diyl, isoxazole-2,5-diyl, indane-2,6-diyl, naphthalene-2,6-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by F or CN), 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl, decaline-2,6-diyl, pyrimidine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), pyridine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted,
 25 monosubstituted or disubstituted by F), pyrazine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), pyridazine-3,6-diyl, quinoline-2,6-diyl, quinoline-3,7-diyl, isoquinoline-3,7-diyl, quinazoline-2,6-diyl, 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinazoline-2,6-diyl, quinoxaline-2,6-diyl, 1,3-dioxane-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or mono-
 30 substituted by CN), benzothiazole-2,6-diyl, piperidine-2,4-diyl, piperazine-1,4-diyl

B¹ is cyclohexane-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by F, CH₃, CN), perfluorocyclohexane-1,4-diyl,
 35 cyclohex-1-ene-1,4-diyl, cyclohex-2-ene-1,4-diyl, 1-alkyl-1-silacyclohexane-1,4-diyl, bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1,4-diyl, cyclopentane-1,3-diyl, cycloheptane-1,4-diyl, tetrahydrofuran-2,5-diyl, tetrahydrofuran-2,4-diyl, phenylene-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or

disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCF₃, unsubstituted, mono-substituted, disubstituted, trisubstituted or tetrasubstituted by F), phenylene-1,3-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCF₃, unsubstituted, monosubstituted, disubstituted or trisubstituted by F), thiophene-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), thiophene-2,4-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), 1,3-thiazol-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), 1,3-thiazol-2,4-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), (1,3,4)-thiadiazol-2,5-diyl, 1,3-dioxane-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by CN), tetrahydropyran-2,5-diyl, 6,6-difluorotetra-hydropyran-2,5-diyl, 6,6-difluoro-2,3-dihydro-6H-pyran-2,5-diyl, 6-fluoro-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran-2,5-diyl, piperidine-1,4-diyl, piperazine-1,4-diyl, pyrimidine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), pyridine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2,6-diyl, decaline-2,6-diyl

B² is cyclohexane-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by F, CH₃, CN), cyclohex-1-ene-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F), cyclohex-2-ene-1,4-diyl, 1-alkyl-1-silacyclohexane-1,4-diyl, bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1,4-diyl, phenylene-1,4-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCF₃, unsubstituted, monosubstituted, disubstituted, trisubstituted or tetrasubstituted by F), phenylene-1,3-diyl (unsubstituted, monosubstituted or disubstituted by CN, CH₃, CF₃, OCF₃, unsubstituted, monosubstituted, disubstituted or trisubstituted by F), thiophene-2,5-diyl, thiophene-2,4-diyl, 1,3-thiazole-2,5-diyl, 1,3-thiazole-2,4-diyl, (1,3,4)-thiadiazole-2,5-diyl, 1,3-dioxane-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by CN), tetrahydrofuran-2,5-diyl, tetrahydropyran-2,5-diyl, 6,6-difluorotetrahydropyran-2,5-diyl, 6,6-difluoro-2,3-dihydro-6H-pyran-2,5-diyl, 6-fluoro-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran-2,5-diyl, pyrimidine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted F), pyridine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted F), indane-2,6-diyl, piperidine-1,4-diyl, piperazine-1,4-diyl, pyrimidine-2,5-diyl (unsubstituted or monosubstituted by F)

X is -(CH₂)_n-, where

- a) one or two -CH₂- groups may be replaced by -O- or -C(=O)- and/or